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C5 d [c)] means for allowing the page-creating remote user to select other remote users [to allow those other remote users] to whom the page-creating remote user may wish to allow access to the personal page;

e [d)] means for allowing the page-creating remote user to input security parameters for the personal page, the security parameters specifying authorization of at least one other selected remote user to view the personal page; and

f [e)] means for storing the security parameters in one or more databases.

#### REMARKS

Applicants very much appreciate the Examiner's willingness to consider proposed claim amendments and to discuss this application with Applicants' representatives in an effort to expedite prosecution of this case. Applicants believe that the amendments made above and comments made below fully meet the outstanding rejections in this application and that the pending claims (1 to 34) are in condition for allowance without the need to appear before the Board.

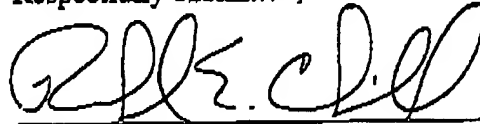
Each of independent claims 1, 10, 16, 21, 29 and 32 describes a system where a page-creating remote user of a computer network creates a personal page and is also provided with a system for granting authorization to other remote users of the system to view that personal page. Only these remote users who are authorized to view the page-creating user's personal page may view the page. The system allows a non-technical user to create a custom page and control access to the page to other users of the system who are selected by the page-creating user to view it. This allows the page-creating user to divulge information to certain selected individuals (such as potential dates), without having that information be available to tens of millions of Internet users.

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For all of the foregoing reasons, Applicants request that the Examiner reconsider the rejection of claims 1 to 34 and allow those claims. If the Examiner believes that an interview would facilitate the resolution of any outstanding issues, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 141449.

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